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In re Application of
Jeffrey Drogue, Leonard Schultz and Barry
Thompson
Application No. 10/628,588
Filed: July 28, 2003
Attorney Docket No. 6970.02
Title of Invention: Fluid and Bioaerosol
Management

DECISION

This is in response to the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) filed February 9, 2005.

Petitioner has shown that non-signing inventor Drogue has refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application after having been presented with the application papers. The petition attest a copy of the application papers was sent to the non-signing inventor's last known address. Petitioner has sufficiently established that non-signing refuses to execute the application papers.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

This application is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3215.

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LETTER

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Dear Mr. Drogue:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above-identified United States patent application filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost as per 37 C.F.R. § 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, the attorney of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to Petitions Attorney Charlema R. Grant at (571) 272-3215. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703) 308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at (703) 308-9726 or 1-800-972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

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